SUBJECT No. 200.

Water-meter hire.

(1) Messrs. B. K. Garudachar and B. Usmankhan, Bangalore City Municipal Council.
(2) Mr. M. K. Krishnamurti Rao, Magadi taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(1) The water-meter hire charges for houses having no gardens may be abolished, as they press heavily on many householders with small incomes.

(2) (*a*) Meter rents and charges for repairs during stoppage of water may be abolished. The rules in Mysore and Bangalore may be made uniform.

(*b*) Sub-meters may not be abolished.

Reply of Government.—(1) Not possible.

(2) The Chief Engineer and the Superintending Engineer Water-Works, together with Messrs. M. Venkatakrishniah, M. K. Krishnamurthi Rao and B. K. Garudachar may meet and discuss the question and send up a report of their deliberations. The Chief Engineer will be instructed to take the needful action in this respect.

SUBJECT No. 201.

Water-supply for villages in the malnad.

Mr. Nadig Bhistappa, Sorab taluk.

Withdrawn.

SUBJECT No. 202.

Preservation of birth and death records.

Mr. Bore Gowda, Yedatore taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Records of births and deaths are taken as good evidence in courts. But, as kept at present, they are liable to be tampered with. It is suggested that the number of births and deaths in the State be published in the Gazette every month. If that is not possible, they should be filed each month with the seal and signature of the Amildar and the Deputy Commissioner. If neither can be done, these records should not be admitted as evidence.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 203.

Inspection of boats by D. P. W. and Local Magistrates.

Mr. H. Krishnasastri, Sri Yedugiri Sadananda Vardhini Sabha, Melkote.

Summary of discussion.—To ensure that the boats used in public ferries and other apparatus connected therewith are sound and serviceable and are not in dangerous condition, arrangements may be made for their inspection by an Engineer every year in June and for the grant of certificates to the contractor for their use. The local Magistrate may also be ordered to periodically inspect them with a view to see if they are properly repaired and kept in good condition.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

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SUBJECT No. 204.

Establishment of a Medical school at Bangalore.

Messrs. M. Venkatakrishniah, Mysore City Municipal Council, and A. Guru Rao, Kadur District Board.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that a Medical school, to be eventually raised to the status of a college, may be established in Bangalore or Mysore.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.